

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 13-16, 43, and 44 are pending. Claims 5-12, 20-22, 26-36, and 40-42 have been canceled. No new matter has been introduced. Reexamination and reconsideration of the present application are respectfully requested.

In the January 9, 2008 Office Action, the Examiner allowed claims 1-4, 13-16, 43, and 44. Applicants thank the Examiner for so indicating.

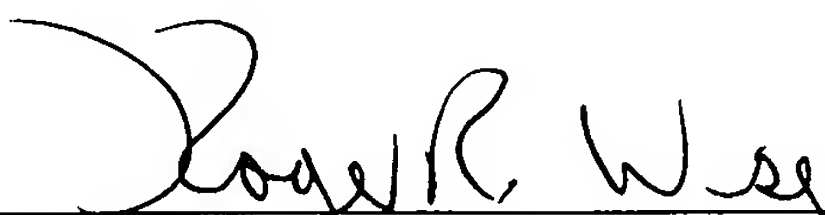
Applicants believe that the claims are in condition for allowance. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (213) 488-7100 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance should the Examiner believe that such a telephone conference call would advance prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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